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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION
(RCE) TRANSMITTAL**

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Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of Application No. 09/136,483, filed August 19, 1998 for: ALUMINUM OXIDE PARTICLES, by: Sujeet Kumar, Hariklia Dris Reitz, Xiangxin Bi and Nobuyuki Kambe.

1.   Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114
    a.   [ ]   Previously submitted
        [ ]   Please enter in the present application the unentered Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, with any attachments, filed on _____ in said prior application.
        [ ]   Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or reply Brief previously filed on _____
        [ ]   Other _____

    b.   [X]   Enclosed
        [X]   A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed. Claims added by this Amendment are properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered claim in the prior application.
        [ ]   Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
        [ ]   Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
        [X]   Petition for Extension of Period for Response Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

2.   [X]   The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra (Equals)	Small Entity Rate	Add'l Fee	OR	Large Entity Rate	Add'l Fee
Total	19	- [21]**	=	x 25	$		x 50	$
Indep.	3	- [3]***	=	x 100	$		x 200	$
RCE fee			+ 395	$395.00			+ 790	$
Mult. Dep.			=	+ 180	$		+ 360	$
				TOTAL	$395.00	OR	TOTAL	$

[ ] First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim [MDC]

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